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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby advise the Examiner that a Continuation application, Serial No. 10/985,052, has been filed on November 10, 2004. Accordingly, it is requested that the Examiner review the Continuation application during the examination of the present application. It is noted that the present application has been indicated as the direct parent application for the Continuation application. It is also noted, at the present time, that the present application and the Continuation application contain some claims which are substantially identical, pending a discussion of these claims during an interview requested in a paper filed on even date herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted on information and belief, before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

It is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be considered by the Examiner.

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